



About **THE VISION BENEFITS PROGRAM**

The American Samoa Medicaid State Agency Vision Coverage Program began in 2022. It was designed to expand optometry services outside of LBJ to provide comprehensive eye exams, contact lens fittings, and eyeglasses etc. for eligible beneficiaries.

From 2022 - 2024, the Medicaid Vision Program has provided coverage for over 1,700 eligible beneficiaries.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR VISION PROGRAM?

- US Nationals
- US Citizens
- Lawfully present Non-US Nationals/Citizens under 21.
- Must be currently and legally residing in American Samoa.

What is the **VISION BENEFITS PROGRAM?**

HOW DO YOU START THE PROCESS FOR THE VISION PROGRAM?

1 Beneficiary must enroll at the Medicaid office with all required documents to screen for eligibility.

2 Medicaid screens documents for eligibility and approval (1-3 business days).

3 If approved, Medicaid informs the beneficiary and the Vision Provider of the patients approval.

4 Once approved, the Vision Provider contacts beneficiary to schedule appointment and bill Medicaid after service is rendered.

WHAT IS COVERED UNDER THE VISION PROGRAM?

- ALL CHILDREN UNDER 21 are fully covered by the Medicaid Program once every two years.
- ELIGIBLE ADULTS are partially covered by the Medicaid Program with a copayment option if total cost of service exceeds Medicaid coverage of \$450.00

WHAT ARE THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS?

CHILDREN 21 & UNDER

Parent/Legal guardian registers child at Medicaid Office:

- Birth Certificate
- Updated immunization record
- School Transcript/Records
- Parent/Legal guardian's local ID

Lawfully present children under 21.

- Birth Certificate
- AS Immigration ID
- School Transcripts/Records
- Updated immunization record

ADULTS

US Nationals & US Citizens:

- Birth Certificate or US Passport
- Two Valid AS Identification: AS Driver's License, AS Voter's ID, AS Vitals ID, utility bill, telephone bill, Proof of Employment, Bank Statement or any other verifiable document.

*And any other documents required from Medicaid.



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